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Coleman, Schulz daughter unveil plans for permanent Peanuts tribute

On Wednesday, August 1st, Saint Paul revealed its plans for a permanent memorial to PEANUTS creator Charles Schulz. The memorial will be at the Firststar triangle, surrounded by Market, St. Peter, and Fifth. Principal speakers at the ceremony included Mayor Coleman and Amy Johnson, daughter of Charles Schulz. Johnson, shown left of the Mayor, had her entire family with her. The plans unveiled called for several bronze statues in natural groupings around the park, including Marcie sitting on a park bench, and Linus and Sally leaning on a fence.



The City of Saint Paul ended months of speculation about the site for a permanent memorial to Charles Schulz when it was announced last Wednesday that the Firststar property, presently a parking lot, will be the site. The nearly triangular lot is surrounded by Fifth, Sixth, St. Peter, and Market Streets.

But downtown planners went much further than that in announcing much more extensive and imaginative plans. The bronze statues, for example, will not just be a grouping of the PEANUTS gang, but four groupings of characters. They're in poses they might have naturally struck in an urban park.



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Places to go. Things to do.

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Board of Water Commissioners weighs costs of six taste and odor treatment methods

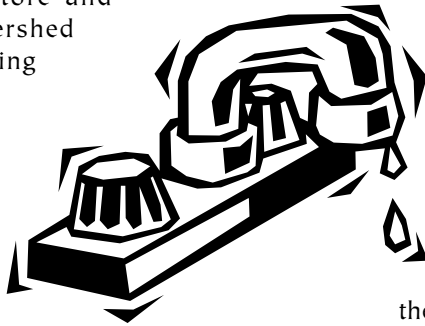
By Helga Kessler and Eric Bosell

At its July meeting, the Board of Water Commissioners discussed a number of options to deal with the persistent taste and odor problems experienced with the water distributed by Saint Paul Regional Water Services (SPRWS).

Although taste and odor problems have generally decreased over the past 10 years, the 2001 season has seen a considerable increase in complaints. All of the efforts by SPRWS to restore and maintain the watershed may only be keeping pace with the area's rapid urban development, according to Dave Schuler, Water Quality Supervisor for SPRWS. Traditional treatment technologies now in use by the utility are not sufficient to fully address the problem.

In a presentation to the Board, Schuler reviewed six treatment options, including the advantages and disadvantages of each: Both 1) powdered and 2) granular activated carbon absorb impurities. Ozone 3) utilizes a highly reactive oxygenation process to destroy unwanted compounds. Lake water can be augmented or replaced with 4) well

water, reducing concentration of the impurities. Another technology, 5) MIEX resin, utilizes a magnetic ion exchange process to attract impurities to a special reusable resin. And 6), a Lambert Creek treatment facility could reduce the source of nutrients in Vadnais. The table below outlines the costs and benefits of each option. Although not presented to or discussed by the Board, a seventh alternative is a mix of options.



As the table shows, the options are complex and wide-ranging. Obviously, the least expensive one is likely to be the least effective, especially in the long-run. On the other hand, one of the most expensive

options—ozone treatment—provides the most benefits, including enhanced disinfection. However, do the greater benefits justify the cost?

The Board is at the beginning stage of weighing that question and others. Before any decisions are made, all the issues involved will be addressed at length, and in much greater detail. Board members expressed an interest in continuing with a more in-depth feasibility study and in conducting a customer survey on the issues involved.

TREATMENT TECHNOLOGY	BENEFITS	CAPITAL COSTS	ANNUAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE COSTS
1. Powdered activated carbon	Mild T&O control Precursor removal	Storage improvements required	\$1 million
2. Granular activated carbon	Mild to medium T&O control Precursor removal	\$3.8 million	\$280,000
3. Ozone	Enhanced disinfection Severe T&O control Precursor removal Anticipates future regulations	\$16 million	\$300,000
4. Well augmentation	Effective T&O control Precursor removal	\$5.5 million/75 mgd capacity \$8 million/100 mgd capacity	\$273,000 (120 days at 65 mgd)
5. MIEX Resin	Effective T&O control Some precursor removal	\$5 million	\$2 million
6. Lambert Creek treatment	Phosphorus removal Algae and T&O reduction	\$1.9 million	\$200,000

Where to see "Saint Paul's Man About Town"

Charlie Brown may be the grand marshal in your local parade or just visiting in your neighborhood from the back of his shiny Chevy Silverado. This schedule is tentative. For updates, see www.ilovesaintpaul.com or call Shane Anderson or Chrissy Brekke at 651-266-8539. Call them if you would like to schedule Charlie at your event.



Sat, 8/11	1-2:30 pm	Mays Park Pig Roast
Sun, 8/12	1-4 pm	Harriet Island
Sun, 8/19	1-4 pm	Harriet Island
Sat, 8/25	10 am-2 pm	Grand near Lexington
Sun, 8/26	1-4 pm	Harriet Island
Tue, 8/28	11:30 am-1 pm	Downtown Gopher fest
Sun, 9/2	1-4 pm	Harriet Island
Thu, 9/6	6-9 pm	North St Paul Comm Ctr
Sat, 9/8	11 am-1 pm	Cahill & 65th, IGH
September 8th-16th		Downtown Saint Paul

Blood drive reminders

Here's a reminder that the City/County Blood Drive will be held on September 5th from 8:30 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. in Rooms 40-42 of the City Hall and Courthouse.

Be sure to make an appointment to donate by responding to this e-mail or by calling Linda Crosby at 651-266-6530. If you want to give at the Equipment Garage on Dale St., call Jean Anderson at 651-488-8348.



Saint Paul, Minnesota. Founded in 1849. Rediscovered in 2000



Where did I spend my money?

Five dollars here, twenty dollars there.... You probably pay for items with a combination of cash, checks, and credit cards. Before you know it, much of your paycheck is gone and, for the most part, where it went is a mystery.

If this is a familiar scenario, consider our debit card. The debit card (also called a check card), combines the convenience of credit cards and the money-tracking benefits of checks. You use a debit card the same way you use a credit card. The major difference is that when you do, you're spending money that you already have, not money that you expect to have at the end of the month.

Purchases with a debit card are automatically withdrawn from your checking account. There's no monthly bill or interest to pay. Tracking your money is easy because you record your purchases and can verify them with the itemized statement you'll receive at the end of the month.

CCCU's debit card also doubles as an ATM card, so you don't have to carry two cards. Debit cards are accepted anywhere that the Interlink or VISA logo is displayed.

Start leaving your checkbook at home; call us today at 651-225-2700 or 1-800-223-2801 for more information on a debit card, or stop in at any of our three locations.

City & County Credit Union is federally insured by the National Credit Union Administration.

Congratulations to the 10,000 Steps Winners!

The City of Saint Paul had 479 employees and family members join 10,000 Steps and take the first step to better health. The winner of the \$100 gift certificate for Joe's Sporting Goods is Dale Jones from Public Works. Congratulations Dale! On Tuesday, July 17th, the Cityfit committee drew Dale's name from 124 10,000 Steps participants who returned their logs to HealthPartners. The committee also drew 40 names to receive a \$25 gift certificate to Joe's Sporting Goods; those winners:

• Marlene Maurer, Julie Kraus, and Kathy Megarry from Human Resources;

• Linda Hammond, Laura Eckert, Jenny Wolfe, and Margot Fehrenbacher from PED;

• Debbie Zollinger, Connie Porath, and Susan Nowaczewski from Fire;

• Bonnie Lundgren, Lauri Woolstencroft, Penney Koehler, and Dave Koehler from TMS;

• Richard Rupert, Jodi Byland, Howard Hare, Linda Jones, Kathy Fastner, and Kathy Weersma from Public Works;

- Sue Synstegaard from LIEP;
- Richelle Nicosia and Bernie Bullert from Water;
- RuthAnn Eide and Nancy Mollner from Police;
- Elizabeth Tegdesch, Robin Ochsner, Cindy Morrison, Margaret Yeakel-Twum, and Kristi Wells from Parks and Recreation;
- Lori Lee and Kathryn Hines from Financial Services;
- LoreLei Sargent, Bonnie Iverson, and Marci Porter from Libraries;
- Theresa Rongstad and Beverly Kisch from Public Health;
- Patricia McGinn from Citizen Service;
- Karin Anderson from the City Attorney's Office; and
- Jean Karpe from the Mayor's Office.

These people, along with everyone else who returned their log, also received a 10,000 Steps water bottle. Congratulations to all the winners; your commitment to exercise is keeping you one step ahead of everyone else! Remember, by increasing your steps each day, you can count on feeling great!

More Knowledge Management Summer Specials

Human Resources Knowledge Management is offering a series of "Summer Specials," one-hour information sessions to be held on Wednesdays in July and Thursdays in August. They offer an exciting way for you to stay motivated, learn practical information, enhance your performance on the job, and transfer learning to your personal life.

There is no need to register ahead of time. All classes are in the basement of City Hall, Room 41. Sessions begin at 11:30 am and end at 12:30 pm. Feel free to lunch while you learn. If you have any questions or would like more information, please call Steve Cvinar at 651-266-6531.

Emotional Intelligence:

Thu., August 16

11:30 am–12:30 pm

This session will discuss how emotions impact the workplace. The session will focus on explaining how emotional skills and competencies can foster positive relationships in the workplace. Participants will take an emotional competence assessment increasing self-awareness in the workplace.

Facilitator: Michelle LeBow

Participation not limited.

Meetings, Meetings:

Thu., August 23

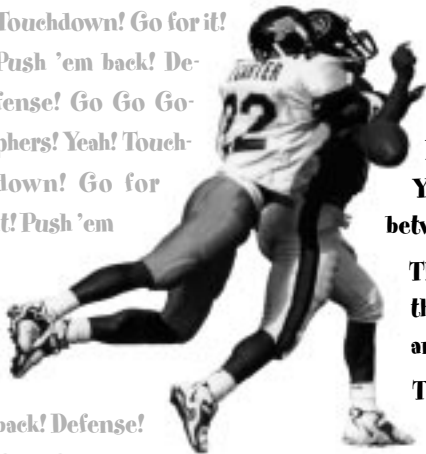
11:30 am–12:30 pm

Learn how to plan, conduct and participate in effective meetings. We will view a short video and discuss some reliable methods to make your meetings effective and efficient. This session will not be "just another meeting."

Facilitator: Steve Cvinar

Participation not limited.

Go Gophers! Yeah!
Touchdown! Go for it!
Push 'em back! Defense!
Go Go Gophers! Yeah! Touchdown!
Go for it! Push 'em



back! Defense!
Go Gophers!

Enjoy a FREE slice of Downtown at a giant pep rally, party and parade on Tuesday, August 28th, 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. It's all hosted by BOMA, the Building Owners and Managers Association of Greater Saint Paul, in appreciation of its employees and tenants.

You'll get FREE pizza and beverages at the pep rally on Robert Street between Fifth and Sixth streets.

The south end of Downtown will be treated to a parade featuring the spectacular 2001 University of Minnesota Marching Band, and the University of Minnesota Cheerleaders.

Then listen to Golden Gophers Coach Glen Mason and meet players from this year's team at a pep rally. The parade begins in Rice Park, continues down Fourth St., loops around Mears Park, and ends up at the party site.



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Power Pointers:

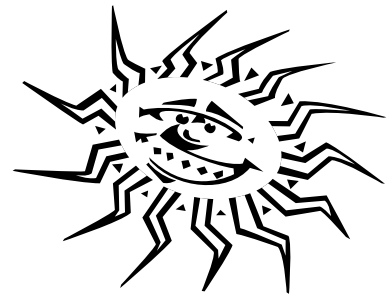
Thu., August 30 11:30 am–12:30 pm

This session can increase your current skills or introduce you to Microsoft PowerPoint. A short slide presentation will be followed by a "build-it-from-scratch" demonstration of how that slide show was developed. There will be opportunity for questions and sharing of ideas.

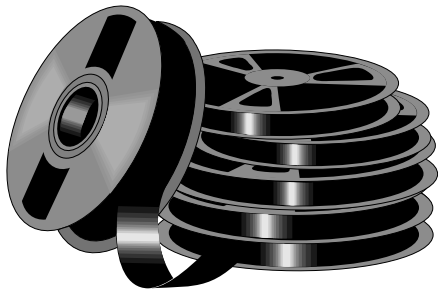
Facilitator: Dianne Rosenthal

Limit: 20 participants.

Questions regarding the Summer Specials? Contact Steve Cvinar at 651-266-6531.



"The Luzhin Defence" showing at Galtier this weekend as part of U Film series



Friday Aug. 10, 7:15, 9:15 pm

Saturday Aug. 11, 5:15, 7:15, 9:15 pm

Sunday Aug. 12, 5:15, 7:15

Adapted from the acclaimed novel by Vladimir Nabokov, "The Luzhin Defence" is the story of a chess Grand Master (played by John Turturro) who is about to play

the match of his life. When the disheveled idiot savant falls in love with a sophisticated beauty Natalia (Emily Watson), he is suddenly dealt a dose of reality which will change his life forever. "The Luzhin Defence" is directed by Marleen Gorris and stars (in addition to Turturro and Watson) Geraldine James. (duration, 108 minutes)

City job openings as of August 10th, 2001

Application deadline	Job title	Bi-weekly or hourly salary rate	Exam date
08/02/01	Accountant I	\$1299.30	08/14/01
08/13/01	Engineering Aide I	\$1041.26	08/22/01
08/13/01	Engineering Aide II	\$1145.01	08/22/01
Open	Clerical Assistant BOE (part-time)	\$9.00 per hr	See Job Ann
Open	IS Information/Technical Analyst I	\$1201.32	See Job Ann
Open	IS Information/Technical Analyst III	\$1592.36	See Job Ann
Open	IS Systems Support Specialist I	\$1085.87	See Job Ann
Open	IS Systems Support Specialist III	\$1436.07	See Job Ann
08/15/01	Public Works Technician III (prom)	\$1513.61	08/24/01

** This is a walk-in-examination. Do not submit a job application before the test.

Note: Call or visit the Office of Human Resources to receive the official job announcement for these positions. Location: 400 City Hall Annex. Phone: 651-266-6500 (TTY/TDD 651-266-6501) or visit the web site: www.ci.stpaul.mn.us/jobopenings. For jobs announced after August 2nd, please call our 24-hour job line, 651-266-6502.